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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Group Art Unit: 2811

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Examiner: D. Owens

Serial No.: 09/837,450

Filed: April 19, 2001

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 3, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire April 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 18 and 19 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1, 14 and 15 as follows:

(Amended) 1.

A semiconductor device comprising:

a substrate

a source/drain diffused layer formed in the substrate for a transistor; and

a dummy diffused layer formed in the substrate,

wherein the source/drain diffused layer has its surface silicided, and

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THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached: Amendment

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	17	20	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	6	6	0	\$84.00 =	\$0.00
		Multiple claims newly presented			\$0.00
		Fee for extension of time			\$0.00
					\$0.00
		Total of Above Calculations		\$0.00	

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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